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AMENDMENT RESPONSIVE TO OCTOBER 3, 2001 OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to an Office Action mailed on October 3, 2001 (the "Office Action"). The period for filing a response to the Office Action has been extended by a Petition filed concurrently herewith pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). Thus, a response to the Office Action is due no later than February 4, 2002, and this Amendment is being timely filed.

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